(c) A survey for construction of. BG BG Rae between Ankola and Hubii was carried out in 1992. The cost of 164 kms-Igqgtij of new BG line was assessed at Rs. 236.80 crores with a rate of return of 16.7 per cent. However, in the meantime, conversion of Hospet-HubH-Goa (489 kms) has been approved under project Unigauge Consequent .to this a reappraisal of traffic potential on it line is being done. Further act: depend on the results of the reappraisal and availability of resources in the comy-years.

उज्जैन-आगरा छोटी लाइन परियोजना का स्थगन

403. श्री अजीत जोगी : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या पश्चिमी रेलवे में उज्जैन-आगरा छोटी लाइन परियोजना स्थगित कर दी गयी है और इसकी पटरियों को हटा दिया गया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार का इसके स्थान पर बड़ी लाइन बिछाने का विचार है ;

(ग) क्या उज्जैन-आगरा रामगंज मंडी रेल लाइन बिछाने के लिए कोई सर्वेक्षण किया गया है ; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो तत्सम्बन्धी ब्यौरा तथा सर्वेक्षण के निष्कर्ष क्या है ?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री के० एच० लेंका) : (क) जी हां ।

(ख) और (ग) जी नहीं ।

(घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Broad gauge rake for the palace on Wheels

404. SHRIMATI KAMALA SINHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has decided to withdraw the Palace on Wheels from the tourist circuit and has also decided to explore specific options for undericnng to raise resources to fund the new broad gauge rake for the Palace. on Wheels; and

(b) what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C, K. JAFFER SHARTET): (a) and (b) Possibilities are being explored of financing the cost of construction of the new broad gauge rake of the Palace on Wheels on a cost-sharing basis with Rajasthan Tourism Development Corporation.

Complaints against Engineering Wing of South Central Railway

405. DR. YELAMANCHILI STVAJI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are certain complaints against Engineering Wing of South Central Railway;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what action has been taken to redress the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN 1HE MINISTRY OF RAII WAYS (SHRI K. C. LBNKA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The complaints plaints against Engineering Wing of South Central Railway pertain to acceptance of sub-standard work, irregularities in the processing of tenders, acceptance of high rates, etc.

(e) whenever such complaints are ren ceived, investigations are conducted into these complaints by Railway Vigilance. Based on the results of investigations, appropriate disciplinary action taken against delinquent Railway officials in consultation with the Central Vigilance Ctmmission.

Amount spent on advertisements by South Central Railway

406. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVA. JI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total amount spent by South Central Railway on advertisements; and

(b) what are the details year-wise for the last five years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) the total amount spent by South Central Railway on advertisements is Rs. 3,65,000/_ for the period from April '93 to June *93* during 1993-94.

(b) The details of the amount spent on advertisements year-wise for the last five years are as given below:—

Year	Amount (in Rs.)
(1) 1988-89	58,200/-
(2) 1989-90	1,66,300/-
(3) 1990-91	44.100/-
(4) 1991-92	1,36,000/-
(5) 1992-93	21,82,000/-

Derailment of Kochi-Bound Kurla Express

407. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIR_ LA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:.

(a) whether a number of persons died recently when the Kochi-bound Kurla Ex. press rammed into derailed goods wagons at Samal Pethai on Jolarpet-Erode section in T.N.;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof station the number of persons killed, the number of passengers injured, the amount of compensation paid to the families of the victims and to those injured; and

(c) the outcome of (the inquiry conducted into the accident and the action taken thereon?-

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) On Jolarpet'ai-Erode section of Southern Railway, on 1.6.1993 around 23.30 hrs. 17 wagons of Up Goods Train while entering Samalpatti station derailed. Some of the wagons infringed the adjacent Down Line. Within few min. utes of the mishap, 6635 Kurla-Cochin Express came running on the Down Line and collided with the capsized goods wagons. Consequently, 21 persons died, 31 persons received grievous injuries and 13 received simple injuries.

No claim, arising out of the accident, for compensation has been received in Railway CIaims Tribunal, Madras. However, a total sum of Rs. 1,53,750/- has been paid as ex gratia to the families of killed and injured passengers.

(c) Commissioner of Railway Safety, Southern Circle, Bangalore, is conducting Statutory Inquiry into this accident and his report is awaited.

निजामुद्दीन रेलवे स्टेशन के समीप वाशिंग एण्ड कोचिंग काम्प्लेक्स का निर्माण

408. श्री मोहम्मद अफजल उर्फ मीम अफजल :

क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि निजामुद्दीन रेलवे स्टेशन के पास 23 करोड़ रु० की लागत से बनाया गया वाशिंग एण्ड कोचिंग काम्पलेक्स अब लाईन सहित धंस रहा है ;